our school he has his residence. That residence now is a state historical site. They also have acquired Senator Norris' old car. It must be about a 1937 Oldsmobile-Buick. Many of us in this room here, Senator Vickers, served on Public Power Boards. Senator Sieck. Senator Lamb. I worked for a consulting engineer. I laid out a number of power lines and substations throughout the state but these basically were in relation to public power district, REAs, co-ops. Many times for the first time in people's lives they received power and you don't really see an expression like this much anymore but for the first time somebody receives power they get rid of. like Senator Vickers talked about, they get rid of the kerosene lamps and they really brighten things up. It is really amazing how things have changed from them to now because basically most of the first homes about the only thing they had in there was a light bulb hanging from the ceiling plus a toaster. Today you go into the rural farm homes and you can begin to see the real results of the rural electrification of the rural areas. Today you've sot TV, you've got almost any unlimited rumber of utilities, utensils. utilities and so forth that the farm group uses any more. I. therefore, very much support this resolution and I thank Senator Vickers again for bringing this forth. I really support the bill.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I would just like to add my support for the bill. I commend Senator Vickers and Senator Norris (sic) for bringing it to our attention. I would like to point out that I am a little older than Senator Vickers and I do remember Senator Norris. He was somewhat of a controversial character as we all know back in his day and many times was a nolitician who stood alone and was not afraid to champion causes which at that time were considered somewhat far out. I would like to invite some of you if you ever have the opportunity to visit the Tennessee Valley Authority and view the vast improvements down there in that area and visit with the people to recognize what a change that area went through as a result of Senator Norris' efforts. I would like to hope that here in Nebraska we would not have to look a thousand miles away to find someone to bring the kind of leadership to Mebraska that would enhance and conserve those resources that we have here today for the benefit of our own citizens and I know that many of the causes that Senator Norris championed many years ago would be even more controversial today but if it had not been for his leadership, his strength and his courage, as Senator Vickers has said, there wouldn't be any REA. I wonder sometimes just how successful that kind of a project would be today if you were to so to Consress and talk about cost benefit ratios for building nower lines out to the ranches